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To all Regional General Managers
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Dear General Manager

AIDS: "YOUR CHOICE FOR LIFE"

"Your Choice for Life" is a video resource package for use with pupils in the 14-16 age range. It has been distributed to all schools catering for such pupils, and to other bodies - such as youth service leaders, drugs education co-ordinators and health authorities - who work with schools in providing education and associated services for children in that age range.

In his letter of 9 February 1988 (EL(88)P19), with which he forwarded to you a copy of this, Norman Hale drew attention to the fact that the package was intended for use in schools in a carefully considered way; and the Users' Guide makes it clear that the video itself should be used only after full preparation and in association with the Guide. The package, and the video which forms a part of it, are not intended for use with other groups of people. Access to it should be restricted to those responsible for working with pupils in the relevant age range.

There is evidence that the video has been made more widely available than these guidelines permit, for example, through loan from a video library to members of the public. This would go beyond the purposes for which the package was intended. We would not wish any difficulties arising from such occurrences to prejudice the continued use of the package for its intended purpose. I am accordingly writing to remind you of the purpose for which it was prepared and to ask you to take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that the video is used only for the purposes for which it was intended, and not made publicly available. If you have any questions about how to ensure that the use of the package conforms with these guidelines please consult Mrs Chris Staniland (telephone number: 01-210 5325 at Richmond House, 79 Whitehall, SW1A 2NS).

Could you please ensure that Health Education Units, Community Health Departments and any others who have access to the video are aware of the position.

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